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


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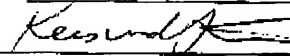
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS (37 CFR 1.173)

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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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(37 CFR 1.175) (PTO/SB/51 or 52)
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7. ☒ Original U.S. Patent currently assigned? ☒ Yes ☐ No
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 - ☒ Written Consent of all Assignees (PTO/SB/53)
 - ☒ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement
(PTO/SB/96)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

10. ☒ Statement of status and support for all
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 - ☒ Ribboned Original Patent Grant
 - ☐ Statement of Loss (PTO/SB/55)
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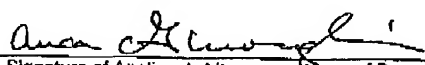
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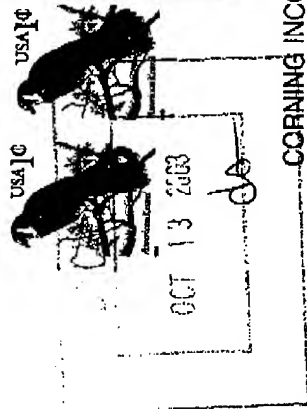
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